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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Sir:

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed 17 September 2004, which is datestamped 20 September 2004 by the OIPE, Appellants respectfully request a two-month extension of time under 37 CFR, Section 1.136(a) within which to file the accompanying Appeal Brief, that is, to and including 20 January 2005.

The undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge the appropriate extension fee to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. Moreover, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. This document is filed in duplicate.

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